

EPITOME OF EVENTS

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

ARE SHORT BUT INTERESTING

Brief Mention of What is Transpiring in Various Sections of Our Own and Foreign Countries.

WAR NEWS.

Paris reports Austro-German losses in the campaign against Serbia up to Thursday evening, October 14, were estimated at 25,000 officers and men killed and 60,000 wounded.

Major General Sir Ian Hamilton has been relieved of the command of the allied forces in the Dardanelles. He is to be succeeded by Major General Charles Carmichael Monro.

"Great Britain needs 3,000,000 more men by spring." This declaration was made by Brigadier General Sir Eric Swayne, director of recruiting in northern command, in a speech at Hull, England.

An imperial manifesto issued at Petrograd characterizes Bulgaria as "the betrayer of the Slav cause" and announces that Russia draws the sword against her.

The Bourse Petrograd Gazette says that the losses of the German air fleet in the Baltic region to date have been two Zeppelins and four Albatross and twelve Taube aeroplanes and one sea plane.

Anglo-French forces in the Balkans are reported to be making progress toward the relief of Serbia; occupying Strumitza in Bulgaria and landing at Enos, European Turkey, near the fortified Bulgarian port of Dedeghaten.

Italy has declared war on Bulgaria, following the example of Great Britain and France and an Italian squadron has left Brindisi for the Near East, presumably to participate in the blockade of the Bulgarian coast.

King George of England has issued an appeal to his subjects to come forward voluntarily and aid Great Britain in her fight against the German allies. "More men and yet more," the monarch says, "are wanted."

The Greek government has informed the quadruple entente powers that it does not see its way clear to accept the proposals, including cession of Cyprus and other concessions offered in return for Greek military co-operation with Serbia.

The German armies, which, for nearly fifteen months have been continuously fighting on one front or the other, are now on the offensive at three widely separated points—against Riga and Dvinsk, in Serbia and in the Champagne district of France.

GENERAL.

A national conference on foot-and-mouth disease will be held in Chicago November 29 and 30.

Fourteen men were killed at the Granite Mountain mine of the North Butte Mining Co. at Butte, Mont., by an explosion of 500 pounds of giant powder.

Attacked in her home in San Francisco by a love-mad cripple, Michael Weinstein, who had pursued her for years, Mrs. Mary Tamias, wife of a motorman, cut off his head with a hatchet, dismembering the corpse and hid the pieces in a box couch.

President Arthur T. Hadley of Yale strongly supports the summer military camps for college students, and the undergraduate battery recently organized at the university, but he does not believe that compulsory military drill should be a part of the Yale curriculum.

The death of Bryan Scott of Knox college, who died in St. Louis, Mo., of injuries sustained in a foot ball game, was the eighth foot ball fatality this season, according to statistics. There were fifteen deaths attributed to the game last season, including one after the season had closed.

On Saturday, October 23, the new \$1,600,000 beet sugar factory at Sheridan, Wyo., was thrown open to visitors and the entire process of manufacture explained.

Claims totaling \$470,000 against the St. Joseph-Chicago Steamship company and the Indiana Transportation company for the deaths of forty-one persons and the injury of six others in the Eastland disaster were filed in the United States district court in Chicago.

In the heart of Chicago's loop district and on the busiest corner in the world, a fifteen-story building was torn down and a seventeen-story building put up, all in ninety days.

Indications based on returns from nearly the entire state shows that woman suffrage was defeated in New Jersey by nearly 60,000.

Announcement was made at Detroit that in the neighborhood of \$400,000 has been subscribed in the University of Michigan campaign, which opened October 1, for \$1,000,000 with which to build and endow a home for the Michigan union.

In a letter addressed to Mrs. John MacMahon, chairman of the Chicago school management committee of the Board of Education, Ella Flagg Young, for six years superintendent of schools, announced that she would resign on December 8.

Joseph Hillstrom, convicted of the murder of J. G. Morrison and Morrison's son in Salt Lake City, January 10, 1914, was brought before Judge Ritchie of the district court in that city, and sentenced to be shot to death Friday, November 13.

Eight hundred pounds of smoking opium, valued at \$75,000, was seized at Seattle, Wash., by customs officers on board the Blue Funnel liner Calchas. The opium was contained in 900 hermetically sealed tins, which were secreted in an airshaft.

Arlington, Va., talked by wireless telephony with Paris, France. Announcement that the human voice had been successfully projected across the Atlantic was made by John J. Carly, chief engineer of the American Telephone and Telegraph company.

SPORTING.

George Cotsonaris of Sioux Falls wrestled Jack Meyers of Omaha in Yankton, S. D., winning two straight falls. The time was forty-five and twenty-five minutes.

A new world's interscholastic record for the 440-yard dash—forty-eight and one-fifth seconds—was made in San Francisco by Frank Sloman, a San Francisco high school student.

In a boxing bout in Minneapolis "Silent" Martin of New York and Mike "O'Dowd" of St. Paul, welterweights, fought ten rounds to a lively draw, according to sporting writers' opinion.

The Indiana-Illinois-Iowa league, at its annual meeting in Chicago, decided tentatively upon a circuit for 1916, going back to eight clubs instead of seven by the addition of Rock Island, Ill., which succeeds to the place given up last summer by Decatur.

Captain Edward Mahan of Harvard proved himself a worthy successor to Captain Charles Brickley, the former football star, by personally defeating the University of Virginia at Cambridge, Mass., 9 to 0, by dropping three field goals, one from the forty-two yard line.

Lorin Solon, captain of the University of Minnesota foot ball eleven, was declared ineligible to take part in future intercollegiate competitions. The charge against him was that he played summer base ball on the Havre, Mont., team, receiving money for his services, in direct violation of the conference rule.

WASHINGTON.

The armored cruiser San Diego, flagship of the Pacific fleet, was awarded the Spokane trophy for the navy's highest score with turret guns for the year 1914-1915.

Senator Kern, the democratic leader, discussed national defense, the shipping bill and Mexican affairs with President Wilson. He said after seeing the president that he would support the main features of the administration defense program.

President Wilson has issued a proclamation designating Thursday, November 25, as Thanksgiving day, in which he calls the attention of the people to the fact that the United States has been at peace, while most of Europe is at war.

The interstate commerce commission has dismissed the complaint of the Nebraska State Railway commission, alleging unreasonable rates on cattle, hogs and sheeps, from Nebraska points on the Holdrege-Cheyenne branch of the Burlington railroad to St. Joseph, Mo.

An official list of missing members of the crews of the two German auxiliary cruisers interned at Norfolk, issued by the Navy department, shows that of a total of 785 officers and men one commissioned officer, two doctors and six warrant officers have broken parole.

David Starr Jordan, president of Leland Stanford university, will see President Wilson November 12 to present to him resolution adopted recently at the International Peace congress in San Francisco urging that a conference of neutrals be called to attempt to end the European war.

President Wilson received a delegation of women and girls from state of California who gave him a piece of gold from a California mine and also a bar of gold to make a wedding ring for Mrs. Norman Galt, his fiancée.

CONDENSED NEWS

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

The United States government has leased a postoffice site at Ansley.

The Carnegie library, recently erected in Hartington, has been opened to the public.

Miss Lillian M. Gifford has been appointed postmaster at Belden, Cedar county.

On the farm of W. L. Wheeler near Murry 555 Gophers have been killed in the last month.

Civil service examinations will be held on November 27 for postmasters at Stockville and Brule.

A stone quarry at Weeping Water will furnish 18,000 tons of crushed stone for the Ford plant at Omaha.

The work on the new forty-five thousand dollar high school at Schuyler is being rapidly pushed forward.

Fremont is to have a municipal gymnasium feature in connection with the physical department of the high school.

President Wilson has appointed Samuel G. Hudson postmaster of Lincoln. His selection was urged by W. J. Bryan.

About forty editors of northeast Nebraska came to Norfolk October 15, and organized the Northeast Nebraska Editors' association.

"BETTER BABIES" AT NEBRASKA STATE FAIR.



Virginia Louise Faulkner, the highest scoring rural baby, registering 99.5. Her home is near Lincoln.

Citizens of Clark are agitating the question of organizing a town band.

The Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's association will hold its annual convention in Crawford next January.

Roderick Dhu Sutherland, former representative from the Fifth district of Nebraska, died at St. Margaret's hospital, Kansas City, Kan. Mr. Sutherland's home was in Nelson, this state.

C. J. Brand, chief of the office of farm marketing of the United States Department of Agriculture, is to speak to the Nebraska Farm Congress at Omaha, November 30, on the subject of marketing farm products.

Experiments in cooking alfalfa hay for hogs, at the North-Platte Sub-station, indicate that the feeding value of the alfalfa may have been increased slightly by the cooking, but not enough to offset the extra cost.

Omaha's annual million dollar automobile exposition, to be presented in the Auditorium from February 21 to 26, inclusive, promises to be the greatest affair of its kind held this year anywhere outside of New York city and Chicago.

The Midland township fair, held at Archer Thursday and Friday, October 14-15, represented the greatest public movement ever undertaken by the people of that community. The event has been classified as one of the most successful ever identified with Merick county.

William Wiebele, mail clerk on the Union Pacific between Beatrice and Manhattan, Kan., who was injured in the wreck at Randolph, Kan., is in a hospital at Manhattan and has lost his mind over worry caused by the wreck. He is unable to recall any incident relative to the accident.

Harry Jensen of Stamford was accidentally shot and killed at Oxford. With three friends he had been hunting and stopped in Oxford on the way home. As the men were leaving town the jolt of the wagon in going over a crossing caused the gun to explode, the load striking Mr. Jensen in the abdomen, causing almost instant death.

Mrs. W. E. Barkley of Lincoln was elected president of the Nebraska State Woman Suffrage association at its recent convention at Columbus.

Mrs. J. E. Rogert, aged 30, and her daughter, aged 4, were killed two miles east of Arlington when the car in which they were riding was struck by a Northwestern freight train.

Business men of Burwell have undertaken a new enterprise, a butter factory. A company has been organized and when they have secured a few more shareholders, a factory will be built.

Aurora will hold a Farmers' Institute November 3.

C. D. Richey is erecting a \$25,000 garage at Hastings.

There were seven perfect babies at the York county show.

The town of Raskin is agitating the question of electric lights.

The new Methodist church at Verdigris was dedicated recently.

Work on the new Bessey hall at Lincoln will start in a few days.

The Baptist state convention will be held in Grand Island Nov. 6 to 9.

The Beatrice camp of the Spanish-American war veterans has been re-organized.

The Midget company is contemplating putting up a flouring mill at Bridgeport.

Madison county is said to have around 3,000 bridges and culverts, all in fair condition.

The cornerstone of the new Congregational church at Beatrice was laid last week. The church will cost about \$15,000.

Interest in the postmaster fight at Aurora has subsided because it seems certain that J. H. Grosvenor will get the place.

A tabernacle designed to seat 3,000 persons has been erected in Hastings for a series of revival meetings to be conducted by Rev. John Hamilton.

Revival services have begun in the Congregational church at Weeping Water, under the leadership of Evangelist Rev. George Williams of Albin, Ill.

The county officials of Jefferson county have asked the state for an appropriation of \$40,000 for a steel bridge across the Blue, southwest of Wynmore.

The Berlin Times is the name of a new newspaper that is to be established at Berlin, in Otoe county. William P. Sitzer will be editor and business manager.

This is the first year that a complete record of the rainfall has been kept at Chadron. The record for the first nine months of the year show twenty-eight inches.

Grand Island was selected as the next place of meeting by the North-western Nebraska Dental association, which concluded its convention at Kearney last week.

The annual convention of the Nebraska Christian Endeavor Union will be held in Norfolk, November 11 to 14. They expect that there will be at least 500 delegates present.

The Fremont litching post problem will get into the courts. After discussing the matter for three years, the city council finally ordered the posts taken off the streets.

The Southwest Teachers' association meets in McCook next spring. The date has been definitely announced by the Executive Committee for March 29, 30 and 31, 1916.

Lively plans are under way for the big tabernacle meetings in Fremont next January, when Evangelist James Rayburn of Marshalltown, Ia., will conduct a series of meetings.

It is estimated that the annual loss from hog cholera in Nebraska for the last two years has been at least \$5,000,000, according to a recent bulletin of the College of Agriculture.

The new North Bend light system, which is to be supplied with juice from the municipal plant of Fremont, was tried out for the first time last week, and is considered a success in every way.

Having donated a cup for the winner of the Kearney golf club tournament just closed, Frank W. Brown, Jr., turned about and won it for himself. He made the eighteen holes in eighty-four.

George Adkins of Edgar has purchased the old Burlington hotel, which was burned past usefulness some time ago, and will use what lumber is available to build a warehouse back of his store.

Arthur J. Koenigstein, formerly county attorney of Madison county, recently convicted of accepting bribes from "dive" keepers in Norfolk appealed to the supreme court and has been released on bail.

Beatrice women are making plans for the organization of a Y. W. C. A. in that city. An advisory committee, comprising ladies from the various churches of the city, has been selected to take charge of the matter.

Work of excavating for the new First National bank building at Chadron has started. The putting in the concrete foundation will be pushed as rapidly as possible, so that it may be done before cold weather sets in.

Reports from Coleridge and vicinity are that seventy per cent of the oats in the community are threshed, 90 per cent of which have gone into the bins. Corn, it is said, is far from matured and it now appears that a large percentage was caught by the frost.

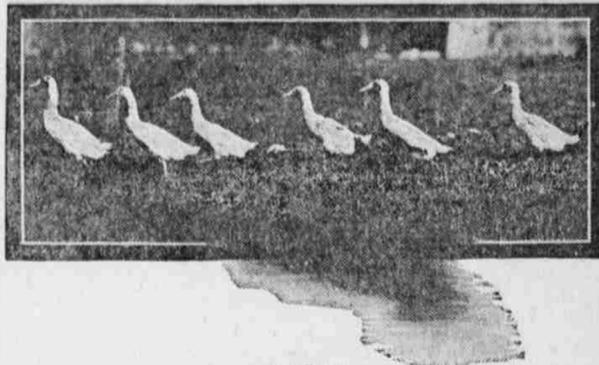
John Procunier, 35, shot himself at the Ed McDowell ranch, east of Crawford, with suicidal intent. He used a .38-caliber revolver, and the bullet went clear through his body below the heart. He was taken to the hospital at Fort Robinson, and it is thought he will recover.

Civil service examination for rural letter carrier will be held at Arapahoe, November 3.

652 people were converted at an evangelistic meeting which just closed at Beatrice.

Daniel Johnson, an Omaha attorney, was in Fremont recently making an investigation of the record of John O'Connor, the Hastings reclus who died leaving a fortune said to be worth \$100,000. O'Connor was engaged for many years as a shoemaker at Fremont before he went to Hastings.

PROPER SELECTION OF FOOD FOR DUCKS



Just Ducks.

(By GEORGE E. HOWARD, United States Department of Agriculture.)

The food of the duck is both vegetable and animal in nature. In the wild state it gathers its food from brooks and marshes, consisting of flag, grasses, small fishes, water insects, etc. When the birds are raised in confinement this diet must, in a measure, be limited to get the most satisfactory results. The duck has no crop, the food passing directly from the throat to the gizzard, and as a consequence the food must be in a soft mushy state. Too much hard food, such as grain, does not agree with these birds and they cannot thrive on it. While some raisers use a small allowance of grain others do not, and it has not been proved to be of any advantage to feed it. Soft food is their natural diet, together with grasses, vegetables and animal food. The proper selection of the food is extremely important to secure the rapid growth of the duck, and the ingredients of the food must be such as will afford a well-balanced and substantial ration. As a whole, it may be said that the rations used by the largest duck raisers are essentially the same, differing only in the quantities used in the mixing. Investigations show the real value of the food to be the same for producing rapid growth and early development. The duckling grows twice as rapidly and is a much heavier eater than the chick, and to produce the best results its food must be such as will be easily assimilated. The various methods of feeding given in this article are recommended for raising ducks successfully.

It costs from 6 to 12 cents a pound to raise a duck for market at ten weeks of age. It costs from \$1.75 to

\$2.50 each to keep breeding ducks a year.

The three different methods of feeding ducks are as follows: (1) Feeding ducks for market (ten weeks old); (2) feeding young ducks to be kept as breeders; (3) feeding old ducks. The first method, for the sake of convenience and to explain more fully the composition of the rations, is subdivided into four parts, as follows:

(1) From time of hatching to five days old provide the following mixture: Cracker or bread crumbs and cornmeal, equal parts by measure; hard-boiled eggs, 15 per cent of the total bulk of crackers and meal; sand, 5 per cent of the total of crackers and meal. Mix with water or milk, and feed four times a day.

(2) From five to twenty days old the following mixture: Wheat bran, two parts by measure; cornmeal, one part; rolled oats, 50 per cent of this bulk; beef scraps, 5 per cent; sand, 5 per cent; green food, 10 per cent. Mix with water to a dry crumbly state and feed four times a day.

(3) From twenty to forty-two days old, the following mixture: Wheat bran, two parts by measure; cornmeal, one part; beef scraps, 5 per cent of this bulk; sand, 5 per cent; green food, 10 per cent. Mix with water to a dry crumbly state and feed four times a day.

(4) From forty-two to seventy days old, the following mixture: Cornmeal, two parts by measure; wheat bran, one part; beef scraps, 10 per cent of this bulk; coarse sand or grit, 5 per cent; green food, 10 per cent. Mix with water to a dry crumbly state and feed four times a day.

The hours for feeding are 6 a. m., 10 a. m., and 6 p. m.

RIGHT BREED FOR BEGINNER

Well-Established, Long-Bred and Popular Varieties Are Best to Attain Greatest Success.

Now breeds of poultry are brought out from time to time and with the introduction of each the claims made for their virtues over long-established breeds is calculated to make any beginner feel that he must have the new ones if he is to attain the greatest success.

The fact of the matter is that the new breeds are the ones that the beginner should usually keep away from. They are yet in the making, in a way, and require the skill of the expert breeder to develop into practical, true-to-type fowls.

It is with the well-established, long-bred and popular varieties that the beginner should generally start. The new breeds are no better in any way than the old ones and as a general rule are not nearly so good in a practical way.

Don't get the idea the poultry business is going to be revolutionized every time some new breed is brought out.

ERADICATE LICE AND MITES

Whitewash Is Effective Against Vermin—Free Use of Lice Powder Is Always in Order.

The free use of an effective lice powder is always in order in the poultry house.

A dust bath is very essential in ridding the fowls of lice.

In applying powder hold the fowl by the feet, head down, and work the powder well down into the feathers.

The free use of kerosene on the roosts and in the cracks will exterminate mites.

Whitewash is very effective against vermin.

Loss by Faulty Methods.

Forty-five million dollars a year is the loss due to faulty methods of handling on the farm where eggs are not collected frequently and marketed regularly, and because nests are not kept clean and males are allowed to run with the hens in the warm months after the breeding season.

Fix Up Winter Quarters.

Fix up the poultry quarters now so that the flock will be in clean, comfortable and sanitary conditions for the winter. Make the walls airtight and afford good light and ventilation.

Cull Closely.

Many farm poultrymen do not cull down their flocks nearly as closely as they should. The chief reason for this neglect is doubtless that on the general farm no account is kept of the feed consumed by the poultry.

CULLING FLOCK IN THE FALL

"200-Egg Hens Always Have White Legs at End of Their Pullet Year," Says Professor Barrows.

Trap-nest records with many hundred fowls at the Maine station make it possible to say positively that no bird which has been a heavy layer will have bright yellow legs at the end of the laying season. Prof. H. R. Barrows says that "200-egg hens always have white legs at the end of their pullet year." The yellow coloring matter in the legs and skin seems to be used up in coloring the yolks for so many eggs, and thus the skin and legs bleach out nearly white.

It is worth while knowing this when culling the flock and deciding which pullets to keep over to use as breeders the next year. If the poultryman has no trap-nest records the color of the shanks furnishes him one of the best indications he can have as to the way in which these pullets have laid during their first year of life.

His first selection should always, of course, be on the strength and constitutional vigor, but after having picked out the good, strong, healthy birds he should then choose from among those the ones which show the whitest legs. Poultrymen often make a mistake on this point, frequently practicing just the opposite—that is, picking out carefully those which have yellow legs which are the poorest layers in the flock.

MARKING SYSTEM FOR HENS

Age of Fowls Can Be Determined by Punching Holes in Web When Chick Is Very Young.

A farmer should know to a certainty the age of his hens. This can only be determined by a marking system. A good system of marking is what is known as "web" marking. A small hole is punched in the web between the toes when the chick is very young. This hole never grows up and increases in size as the chick grows larger.

Any number of markings can be made and for this reason it is believed that this system is superior to marking with leg bands, for the reason that unnumbered leg bands can record but two readings.

Keep Producers Only.

The idea is to winter over only the cream of the breeding flock and the winter layers. Look over your flock now and cull it down closely to the producers. Fatten and market the surplus stuff and cut down the feed bill.

Growth Producer.

A good quality of beef scrap is a growth producer for the developing chick.